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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
YVAN PANNATIER, ET AL. : EXAMINER: RANKINS, WILLIAM E.  
SERIAL NO: 10/588,195 :  
FILED: AUGUST 2, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 3684  
FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR :  
AUTOMATED RISK  
DETERMINATION AND/OR  
OPTIMIZATION OF THE SERVICE  
LIFE OF TECHNICAL FACILITIES

ELECTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

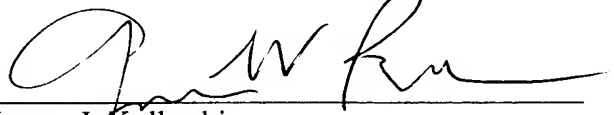
SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 15, 2011, Applicants elect, without traverse, Invention I directed to Claims 23-42 for further examination on the merits. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that a full examination on the merits of Claims 23-42 be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

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